

## **Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW) 2010-2014 Accomplishments**

### **Women and Girls**

- The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW) has elevated community awareness on the status on women and girls and forged strong partnerships with the community, advocates, policy makers and direct service providers on issues related to pay equity, violence against women, workplace flexibility, and the emerging movement to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment.
- The HSCSW coordinated a strategic meeting with the United Nations (UN) Violence Against Women Programme Specialist for the Pacific region in 2014, which resulted in advocates, policy makers and direct service providers meeting and discussing emerging trends throughout the Pacific region.
- The HSCSW O'ahu Commissioner Carmille Lim was elected to the National Association of Commissions Board. The national Board's legislative priorities include economic and educational equity, improved access to and the elimination of barriers to health care and reproductive health services, and the development of programs and strategies to end violence against women in their homes, schools and their workplaces.
- The Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women advocated for and collaborated with community organizations and State departments for the successful passes of the following bills:
  - Emergency Contraception for Sexual Assault (Compassionate Care);
  - Relating to Parental Rights of Convicted Rapists that prohibits family courts from awarding custody of, or visitation with, a child to a natural parent who has been convicted of rape or sexual assault that resulted in the child's conception;
  - Minimum Wage; and
  - Domestic Workers' Rights Bill.